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THINK FOOD

School Nutrition Programs

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USDA FOODS UPDATE

A list of USDA Foods that are still available is enclosed in this mailing. The Remaining Entitlement Report, on the Office of Public Instruction (OPI) School Nutrition website at http://www.opi.mt.gov/pdf/SchoolFood/FDCP/13_14RemainingEntitle.pdf, has been updated with the latest entitlement balances.

Requests for additional items on Shipment 5 need to be emailed to juwilson@mt.gov by **November 1, 2013**.

All USDA Foods, requested for delivery through December were purchased by the USDA as of October 1, 2013, except for one truckload of diced chicken. The government shut-down should not affect the delivery of these foods.

WINTER COOPERATIVE PURCHASE



The OPI Cooperative Purchase Program order form is available for placing your winter order. The form can be found at <https://data.opi.mt.gov/CooperativePurchase/Frmlogin.aspx> and **will be available through November 8, 2013**.



HEALTHY HERO AWARD

Congratulations to Jennifer Montague, Kalispell Public Schools Food Service Director, who recently received the Healthy Hero Award. The award was presented by Eat Right Montana and Action for Healthy Kids. The Healthy Hero award recognizes the outstanding efforts of individuals and organizations striving to promote healthy nutrition and physical activity to improve the well-being of Montanans.

Jennifer and her staff serve approximately 4000 meals daily. Those meals include USDA Foods and produce from their school gardens. Approximately 22 percent of Kalispell Public Schools food budget stays in the community by purchasing locally grown foods.

2015 USDA FOODS ORDER

Once again the time is nearing to place your USDA Foods order. The order form will be available in the next few weeks. To enter your order, go to <https://apps.opi.mt.gov/USDAFoods/frmLogin.aspx> and log in.

New this year is the option to select participation in the DoD Fresh program

when you place your USDA Foods order. We will no longer send out the participation forms in the spring that needed to be faxed to the OPI School Nutrition Programs office.

The question "*Do you want to participate in the DoD Fresh Program during the 2015 school year? Yes or No,*" is on the first page of the order form. A selection must be made to continue to the order form.

The entitlement amount for the DoD Fresh Program will not be included on the order form. You will receive that information at a later date.

PROCESSED CHICKEN TENDERS



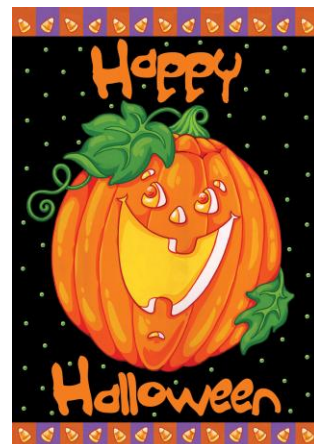
This year we will be purchasing Tyson FC CN Whole Grain Golden Crispy Chicken Tender Shaped Fritters (70334-928) using the state matching funds. This is the same product we have purchased in previous years, except now it has whole grain breading. It will still be referred to on all paperwork as Chicken Patty Tenders. The new item has 150 servings per case and 2400 cases per truck. This is an additional 500 cases. If you would like to order more of the tenders, please email your

requests to juwilson@mt.gov. The tenders are scheduled to ship on Shipments 6 and 10.

NEW COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The OPI School Nutrition Programs welcomes Cindy Giese to our staff. Cindy took over as the new Cooperative Purchasing Program Coordinator on October 1, 2013. She will work from her home in Lewistown and can be reached by phone at (406) 366-9829 or by email at cgiese@gmail.com.

Contact Cindy with any questions you have regarding the 2013 winter bid order. Cindy's schedule is 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. most days. Leave a message anytime and she will get back to you.



USDA FOODS AVAILABLE**October 15, 2013**

100003 CHEESE, CHEDDAR YELLOW 10	300 CS	\$65.09
100018 CHEESE SLICED YELLOW	7 CS	\$58.74
100021 CHEESE, MOZZ LMPS	335 CS	\$64.83
100034 CHEESE, MOZZ LITE SHRD	136 CS	\$66.14
100036 CHEESE BLEND AM SKM SLC Y	3 CS	\$57.22
100046 EGGS, FRZ	68 CS	\$32.96
100101 CHIX DICED	78 CS	\$94.58
100117 CHICKEN FAJITA STRIPS	656 CS	\$59.92
100173 PORK LEG ROASTS	112 CS	\$55.48
100184 HAM CKD WATER-ADD	178 CS	\$56.08
100187 HAM CKD, THIN SLC	306 CS	\$69.74
100228 CHERRIES, RED 10	198 CS	\$29.63
100244 BLUEBERRIES CULT FRZ	148 CS	\$42.57
100313 CORN, CND NO ADDED SALT	91 CS	\$16.54
100318 POTATOES, SWEET MASHED CND	235 CS	\$29.03
100327 TOMATO PASTE CND LOW SODIUM	205 CS	\$23.19
100330 SALSA CND LOW-SODIUM	37 CS	\$19.23
100334 TOMATO SAUCE CND LOW-SODIUM	235 CS	\$12.21
100348 CORN, FRZ NO ADDED SALT	186 CS	\$17.38
100350 PEAS, FRZ NO ADDED SALT	167 CS	\$19.79
100352 CARROTS, FRZ SLC NO ADDED SALT	330 CS	\$17.91
100355 POTATO WEDGES FRZ	104 CS	\$16.03
100364 BEANS, VEGETARIAN LOW SODIUM	29 CS	\$15.58
100365 BEANS, PINTO	3 CS	\$15.03
100396 PEANUT BUTTER	1 CS	\$32.18
100410 FLOUR, WHOLE WHEAT 8/5#	2 CS	\$12.74
100439 OIL, VEGETABLE	79 CS	\$31.65
100500 RICE BRN LNG GRN QUICK COOK	19 CS	\$26.82
100919 MACARONI WHOLE GRAIN	806 CS	\$ 8.80
100938 TORTILLAS WHOLE GRAIN	248 CS	\$20.35
PROC CHICKEN PATTY TENDERS	535 CS	\$18.82